

**To:** Yvonne Rodriguez[Rodriguez.Yvonne@azdeq.gov]  
**From:** jones, bill  
**Sent:** Wed 4/13/2016 1:15:07 PM  
**Subject:** re: Hickman Egg Farm Follow-up Question (btw I searched NRC incident report data and Tier 2 and found nothing)

Also, I followed up with Elizabeth Berg (she is an EPA Region 9 attorney) to find out how she came to this conclusion: *"Based on the number of chickens on its farms, it would have a reportable quantity of ammonia released everyday."*

Best,

Bill

Bill Jones

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**From:** jones, bill  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 13, 2016 5:18 AM  
**To:** Yvonne Rodriguez  
**Subject:** Hickman Egg Farm Follow-up Question

See below. Thanks.

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Begin forwarded message:

**From:** "Berg, Elizabeth" <[Berg.Elizabeth@epa.gov](mailto:Berg.Elizabeth@epa.gov)>

**Date:** April 12, 2016 at 10:15:32 PM MST

**To:** "jones, bill" <[jones.bill@epa.gov](mailto:jones.bill@epa.gov)>

**Cc:** "Lawrence, Kathryn" <[Lawrence.Kathryn@epa.gov](mailto:Lawrence.Kathryn@epa.gov)>, "Alkon, Margaret" <[Alkon.Margaret@epa.gov](mailto:Alkon.Margaret@epa.gov)>

**Subject:** Re: factsheet

Follow up question to make sure I understand:

According to the fact sheet (and regulations), a large egg farm like Hickman would be subject to EPCRA 304 reporting requirements. Based on the number of chickens on its farms, it would have a reportable quantity of ammonia released everyday. Has Hickman ever reported a release of ammonia? Has Hickman ever reported a continuing release to the SERC/LERC?

Sent from my iPhone

On Apr 12, 2016, at 5:16 PM, jones, bill <[jones.bill@epa.gov](mailto:jones.bill@epa.gov)> wrote:

I spoke with my AZ SERC contact who said that the Hickman Family Farms, 41625 W Indian School Rd, Tonopah, AZ (most folks refer to it as located in Buckeye<AZ>) has regular odor complaints and ADEQ has been air monitoring. The monitoring hasn't shown anything to date. Also, there have not been any incidents at that facilities in the last 4-5 years per my contact's memory.

The Hickman Egg Ranch, 32425 Salome Highway, Arlington, AZ is on the Ak-Chin Reservation. <http://ak-chin.nsn.us/enterprises.html>

I hope this helps.

Best,

Bill

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**From:** Lawrence, Kathryn  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 12, 2016 3:32 PM  
**To:** Berg, Elizabeth; jones, bill  
**Cc:** Alkon, Margaret  
**Subject:** Re: factsheet

I have copied Bill Jones as we spoke about the facility earlier today.

He is at an RRT meeting with folks from the SERC and possibly the LEPC

It may take some time to follow up as the SERC functions recently transferred from ADEM and ADEQ and I am not sure if they have a tracking system.

We should also check the NRC databases.

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On Apr 12, 2016, at 5:22 PM, Berg, Elizabeth <[Berg.Elizabeth@epa.gov](mailto:Berg.Elizabeth@epa.gov)> wrote:

Kay

Can you have someone check with the LERC/SERC to see if this farm (Hickman Egg) has a continuous release reporting on the books?

2 locations

Hickman Family Farms, 41625 W Indian School Rd, Tonopah, AZ

Hickman Egg Ranch, 32425 Salome Highway, Arlington, AZ

<EPA Factsheet EPCRA 304 animal emissions.pdf>